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TOPIC

Soviet Supply Installations in the Fuerstenwalde Area

EVALUATION

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10 September to mid-November 1952

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1. On 25 September 1952, 15 new trucks were loaded at the Fuerstenwalde railroad station and dispatched toward Berlin.
2. On 18 October, about 30 M-31 rocket launchers which were freshly painted, and 1 T-34/85 tank [ ] were loaded at the Fuerstenwalde railroad station. The tank had come from the direction of the barracks installation.
3. From early to mid-November 1952, the ordnance depot on the premises of the former Kabelwerk on Langewahler Strasse was operated by about 300 men. From 300 to 400 artillery pieces of all calibers were said to be parked in three brick buildings. Thirty-five artillery pieces, including 6 light 76-mm AA guns, 4 x 56-mm AT guns and about 25 x 80-mm AT guns needing repair were lined up near the buildings. Large weapons shipments for the ordnance depot were unloaded at the Ketschendorf Kleinbahnhof and small shipments at the spur track of the installation. Twenty-one x 40-mm AT guns and 9 x 100-mm AT guns with twin tires were unloaded at the Kleinbahnhof on 8 October and 20 x 80-mm AT guns on 17 October. Another train carried dirty mortars, allegedly from the training area. A new shed, 100 x 40 meters, was under construction in the depot area. [ ]

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4. In October 1952, the engineer equipment depot on Langewahler Strasse was occupied by an estimated 350 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets and black epaulets. Soldiers repaired about 30 pontoons and iron bridge building equipment which appeared to have been transported from the troop training grounds. Eighteen motorboats were counted in the installation. Several groups of soldiers engaged in practice such as laying of antitank mines and then mine detection

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by means of electric mine detectors. ( )

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5. Between 10 September and late October 1952, several ships were unloaded at the supply depot on the extension of Linden Strasse. On 10 September, the M.S. ELISABETH brought to the depot about 200 barrels of herring, about 100 small barrels with undetermined contents, presumably butter, 150 sacks of sugar and other food ration supplies. The tug COLUMBUS brought a barge with 150 boxes, 1 x 0.80 x 0.75 meters, and 200 pails with jam from the direction of Frankfurt/Oder. Two barges were unloaded on 16 September. One hundred boxes, 1.50 x 2.50 meters, were among the cargo. A motorboat arrived from the direction of Fuerstenberg bringing various food ration supply in boxes and sacks on 3 October. The M.S. GERTRUD brought to the depot about 1,200 sacks with sugar and 50 boxes on 11 October, and the M.S. ANNA-MARIE brought 70 large barrels, 50 small barrels, 100 sacks of sugar and about 60 sacks of vegetables on 18 October. One of the warehouses is guarded continuously. Source believed that ammunition was stored there, as trucks with ammunition boxes were repeatedly seen entering and leaving the depot. About 120 uniformed women with carbines engaged in close-order drill in the yard of the installation on 20 October. ( )

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6. Copies of bills from the VEAB at Fuerstenwalde revealed that the following units were in Fuerstenwalde in October:  
Unit Dobrovski on Garten Strasse; Unit Bochevov on Garten Strasse;  
Unit Nelzin on Garten Strasse; Unit Korolov in the Mars-la-Tour  
Kaserne; Unit Klinaki on Breitscheid Strasse; Unit Poshomov on Linden  
Strasse; Unit Kusnichov on Linden Strasse; Unit Kusnichov on Lembitzki  
Strasse; engineer equipment depot in Fuerstenwalde-Sued; a unit at the  
cable plant in Fuerstenwalde-Sued; Unit Sharanov at Fuerstenwalde  
airfield; Unit Melnikov; Unit Bogdanov; Unit Azuco; Unit Naf (?) 4/78;  
and a unit in the sanatorium in Bad Saarow.<sup>4</sup>

7. The following is a list of September records of the Soviet Warehouse No 3 on Wilhelm-Kuelz-Strasse, Fuerstenwalde:

- a. An receipt, dated 19 September 1952, prepared ( )  
for eastmarks received from the trade section, signed by Gds Major  
Panov (fnu), acting chief of staff ( ) and Gds  
Captain (Adm) Druzhkov (fnu), chief of the finance section.
- b. A certificate, dated 27 September 1952, ( )  
signed by Major (Adm) Niyesov (fnu), chief of the finance section  
( )
- c. A certificate, dated 27 September 1952, prepared ( )  
and signed by Major (Adm) D. Niyesov (fnu), chief of the finance  
section ( )
- d. A certificate, dated September 1952, prepared ( ) for  
trade section No 3, signed by Gds Major Samtsov (fnu), chief of the  
finance section ( )

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- e. Two certificates prepared [ ] for receipt by the trade section for eastmarks exchanged for rubles in September 1952, signed by Gds Colonel Mironenko (fnu), [ ] and Gds Major Navlishin (fnu), chief of the finance section. 25X1C 25X1C
- f. Two certificates prepared by [ ] for trade section No 3 for the issuance of 150 eastmarks, signed by D. Mudri (Adm), chief of the finance section [ ] 25X1C 25X1C
- g. A certificate, dated 22 September 1952, prepared [ ] and signed by Khivoglyadov (fnu) or Khivorlyadov (fnu), chief of the finance section [ ] 25X1C 25X1C
- h. Signatures found on an audit report of the trade section included: Mironenko, [ ] Navlishin; Mudri, [ ]; Nazarov, [ ] [ ] Kapustin, [ ]; Moskrin, [ ] and Samtsov, [ ]. Register No 95 was signed by Senior Lieutenant Stoyanenko (fnu), chief of Trade Section No 3. 25X1C 25X1C 25X1C
- i. A certificate, dated 27 September 1952, prepared [ ] for Trade Section No 3 for the exchange of 210 rubles for foreign currency, signed by Gds Captain Ukharov (fnu), chief of finance section [ ] 25X1C
- j. A slip of paper, presumably containing the last paragraph of a protocol which read, 33 eastmarks; chairman Captain Rybalka (fnu); dated 14 September 1952; deputy commander of the unit, Yedopin (fnu); delivered by Pesdiva (fnu); received by Sokovikov (fnu). (The names are indistinct.)
- k. An extract of Order No 0398 [ ] issued in Camp Lieberose on 23 September 1952, referring to personnel section and reading as follows: woman employee R. Vedina is to be transferred to [ ] because of budgetary reasons. Vedina is to work as chief of the officers' hotel [ ] following an application by the commanding officer [ ]. The order was signed by Gds Major General Koveridze (fnu), commanding officer [ ] and Gds Colonel Makarov (fnu), chief of staff [ ] [ ] and verified by Gds Lieutenant Colonel Vasilkov (fnu), chief of staff [ ], and dated 23 September 1952. 25X1C 25X1C 25X1C 25X1C
- l. An extract of Order No 0383 of 13 September 1952 [ ] in Camp Lieberose, concerning personnel section, paragraph 4, and signed by Gds Major General Koveridze (fnu), commanding officer [ ] Gds Colonel Makarov (fnu), chief of staff of [ ] and verified by Gds Captain Zolotnikov (?) (fnu), chief of staff [ ]. 25X1C 25X1C 25X1C
- m. Register No 94 on bills paid by consumers of goods received from Trade Section No 3 in September 1952, signed by Senior Lieutenant Stoyanenko (fnu), chief of Trade Section No 3, and Senior Lieutenant Kotov (fnu), chief accountant.

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n. Two certificates, dated 25 September 1952, prepared [ ] for Trade Section No 3, and signed by Gds Major Samtsov (fnu), chief of the finance section.

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o. Two certificates No F. 1739 and No F. 1741 [ ] for Trade Section No 3, and signed by Gds Senior Lieutenant Nazarov (fnu), chief of finance section of [ ]

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1. [ ] Comment.

The motor vehicle numbers belong to the GOFG and the Fourth Gds Mecz Army.

2. [ ] Comment.

The motor vehicles belong to the GOFG the Fourth Gds Mecz Army and Second Gds Mecz Army.

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3. [ ] Comment.

The information confirms previous assumptions, according to which supplies arrived by ship. The motor vehicles belong to the GOFG and to the Fourth Gds Mecz Army. [ ]

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4. [ ] Comment.

Dobrowski (fnu) is supply officer in a mechanized regiment of the 7th Gds Mecz Div. Bogdanov (fnu) is supply officer of an air force unit in Finow. The names of the other officers are unknown.

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5. [ ] Comment [ ]

belongs to the 26th Gds Mecz Regt in Fuerstenwalde. The regiment was previously confirmed until mid-October 1952.

confirms the 57th Gds Tank Regt in Frankfurt/Oder until 25 September 1952.

confirms the 25th Gds Mecz Regt in Frankfurt/Oder until September 1952. According to the document described in paragraph 7e, Gds Colonel Mironenko (fnu) is the hitherto unidentified regimental commander.

confirms the unidentified Gds How Arty Regt in Frankfurt/Oder until 22 September 1952.

confirms the 84th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt in Frankfurt/Oder until 19 September 1952.

confirms the 288th Gds AAA Regt in Frankfurt/Oder until September 1952.

belongs to the 24th Gds Mecz Regt in Fuerstenwalde which was previously confirmed until mid-October 1952.

confirms the 468th Gds Mort Regt in Beeskow until 27 September 1952.

belongs to the division headquarters in Fuerstenwalde which was previously confirmed there until 19 October 1952.

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Gds Major General Koveridze (fnu) mentioned in the document described in paragraph 7k as being division commander of the 7th Gds Mecz Div has so far been carried as major general with the general staff. Gds Colonel Makarov (fnu) is known as chief of staff of the division. The documents indicate that Trade Section No 3 belongs to the 7th Gds Mecz Div and that it is headed by Senior Lieutenant Stoyanenko (fnu) who was previously reported. Gds Senior Lieutenant A.I. Kotov was previously reported to have been senior accountant with the trade section of the division.

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